GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6797
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VACANT POSTS OF STENOGRAPHERS
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

to reply given to Unstarred Question No. 3946 dated 20th April, 2005 and state:

(a) the reasons for filling up only 5 posts in respect of Scheduled Castes out of a total of 47 posts during the last three years in Grade C Stenographers in the Ministry;

(b) the number of posts filled through Direct Recruitment during the last three years, particularly of Scheduled Castes;

(c) the number of vacancies likely to be filled through Direct Recruitment of Grade C Stenographers and Grade D Stenographers, particularly of Scheduled Castes in the current year;

(d) the details of proposals for Special Recruitment Drive for filling these backlog vacancies;

(e) the number of vacancies indented to SSC for recruitment through this drive, particularly of Scheduled Castes; and

(f) the time by when these vacancies are likely to be filled?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (RAO INDERJIT SINGH)

a) Reservation position is determined according to extant guidelines of the Department of Personnel & Training, based on which the prescribed percentage of reservation for Scheduled Castes was reached by filling 5 reserved posts in Grade C Stenographers during the last three years.

b) A total of 6 posts of Grade C Stenographers were filled through Direct Recruitment during the last three years. As the prescribed number of posts reserved for Scheduled Castes had already been met, no additional posts were reserved for Scheduled Castes during this period. No Direct Recruitment of Grade D Stenographers was made during the last three years.

c) In Grade C Stenographers, the actual number of vacancies to be filled through Direct Recruitment in the current year will be determined by the Departmental Screening Committee for Optimization of Direct Recruitment, which has been set up in accordance with the directive of the Department of Personnel & Training vide their OM. No. 2/8/2001-PIC dated May 16, 2001. Even assuming that all the vacancies that are expected to arise in this Grade during the current year are approved for filling through Direct Recruitment by this Committee, no vacancy is expected to be reserved for Scheduled Castes as the number of posts filled by reservation for Scheduled Castes already meets the prescribed number of posts to be reserved for Scheduled Castes. No vacancy in Grade D Stenographers is expected to be filled through Direct Recruitment in the current year.

d), e) & f) There is no backlog Scheduled Caste vacancy for Direct Recruitment, either in Grade C Stenographers or in Grade D Stenographers.

However, in Grade C Stenographers, there are 2 unfilled Scheduled Caste vacancies, which pertain only to the current year. Of these, 1 vacancy is to be filled by Departmental Promotion during the year. Appropriate action is being taken in this regard. The other vacancy is to be filled through Limited Departmental Examination, for which indent has already been placed with the Staff Selection Commission. The post will be filled as soon as a suitable candidate is recommended by the Staff Selection Commission.

In Grade D Stenographers, there are 6 backlog Scheduled Caste vacancies, which are to be filled through Limited Departmental Examination. These vacancies have already been indented regularly with the Staff Selection Commission. Ministry is awaiting recommendation of candidates by the Commission and as soon as suitable candidates are recommended, these posts would be filled.